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To: Director of Naval Intelligence
Director Central Intelligence
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Director of Intelligence and Research, Department of State
Assistant Chief of Staff, Intelligence, Department of the Army
Assistant Chief of Staff, Intelligence, Headquarters, U. S. Air Force
Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation
Director, Atomic Energy Commission

Subj: Project TIROS (C)

Ref: (a) Minutes of USIB Meeting of 6 Oct 59

1. Reference (a) is a report of the Sixtieth Meeting of the U. S. Intelligence Board which was held on 6 October 1959. Agenda Item 8 of this report makes reference to the handling of photography from Project TIROS and indicated that the Navy would take steps to establish a screening group for this photography.
2. It is anticipated that the high resolution photography received from TIROS will be classified CONFIDENTIAL and forwarded to the U. S. Naval Photographic Interpretation Center at Suitland, Maryland for processing and screening. The low resolution photography will be viewed and determination of classification made at the read out station in the field in order that no delay will occur in its use. The Navy will provide personnel at the read out stations in the field to screen the low resolution photography in accordance with guidelines furnished.
3. In order that realistic guidelines may be established for screening teams, it is desired to form a screening policy group with representatives of addressees. You are invited to provide an appropriate representative. Your representative is requested to meet at the U. S. Naval Photographic Interpretation Center, Suitland, Maryland on 23 November at 1300. Chairman for this group will be CDR D. L. SOPER, Commanding Officer of U. S. Naval Photographic Interpretation Center.

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